

Town Caretaker's Report

The maintenance of Town-owned land and buildings is administered by Caretaker William Wells. Much of the necessary work is completed with assistance from individual volunteers, volunteer committees, and local contractors.

2005 was indeed a busy year as many tasks were undertaken and are summarized as follows:

- Needed repairs were made to the Potts Point Town landing and a new storage site for the ramp and float was designated at Mitchell Field.
- Signs have been posted at most of the Town Landings identifying the sites as public access to the water.
- An ice skating rink was created at Mitchell Field with assistance from the Caretaker.
- Woodard and Curran, the Town's Engineering firm) completed a report regarding the condition of the buildings at Mitchell Field. As a result, abatements relative to hazardous materials are required. These issues have been addressed and competitive estimates have been secured.
- Portions of the old fencing at Mitchell field have been removed while new fencing was added in the needed areas.
- Fencing at the Trufant-Sumerton Ball field has been repaired.
- The once wet basement in the Town Office building has been remedied and is now dry.
- A plan of remediation concerning the leachate dilemma associated with the trash containers at the Recycling Center has been developed and will be implemented in spring 2006.
- Parking lot lighting has been installed at the Town Office.
- Two dry hydrants were replaced and one new dry hydrant was installed.
- The exterior of the Old Town Meeting House has been entirely renovated.
- Options for improving the path to the Giant Staircase are being explored.
- Extensive landscaping was completed at the Town Office.
- A massive clean up at Mackerel Cove was accomplished.

General upkeep is of course a daily undertaking and includes maintenance, repair and monitoring of all of the Towns assets including but not limited to the heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems, the stand-by generator, lighting, plumbingthe list goes on.

Suggestions are welcome and should be e-mailed to bwells@town.harpswell.me.us